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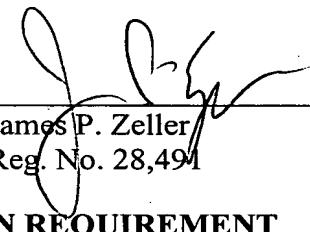
PATENT
Docket No. 27391/US588

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Masatoshi Nakayama)
Serial No.: 10/617,560)
Filed: July 11, 2003)
For: THIN-FILM MAGNETIC)
HEAD, METHOD FOR)
PRODUCING THE SAME AND)
MAGNETIC DISK DEVICE USING)
THE SAME)
Group Art Unit: 2651)
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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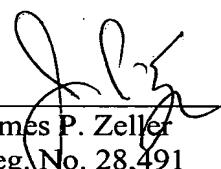
Sir:

This paper is in response to the official action of May 27, 2005, requiring restriction
between product claims 1-4 and 9 (Group I) and method claims 5-8 (Group II).

In response, applicants through their undersigned attorney, hereby elect product
claims 1-4 and 9 (Group I).

Respectfully submitted,

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